

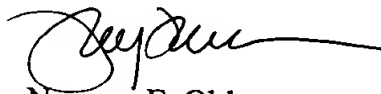
REMARKS

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies. No new matter has been added to this application by these amendments.

Applicants submit the present application is ready for examination on the merits.  
Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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